Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation & Reconstruction Program

This program provides federal grants to eligible homeowners whose primary residence was impacted by eligible 2017 and 2018 disasters. (See eligible disasters)

Program Highlights:
- Federal grants for eligible homeowners based on recovery need: up to $500,000 based on homeowners’ unique unmet housing needs
- Applicants will be placed into priority tiers according to impacted area and by applicant income.

Disaster Housing Assistance Survey
Homeowners whose residential property was damaged by the eligible 2017 or 2018 disasters listed below are encouraged to fill out the Disaster Housing Assistance Survey. The survey is the first step for those seeking Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation and Reconstruction (OOR) program funding. The program will only invite survey respondents to submit applications. The survey itself is not an application and does not determine eligibility.

Eligible Participants Must:
- Be a U.S. citizen or a qualified alien.
- Have legally owned and occupied a single-family dwelling in an affected county as their primary residence during the disasters.
- Have sustained damages directly linked to one of the eligible disasters.
- Be current on property taxes or have an approved payment plan or tax exemption.

Eligible Program Costs Include:
- Permitting, design, and planning.
- Replacement of damaged or destroyed necessary equipment, such as HVAC units.
- Standard grade repairs to disaster-damaged primary structures.
- Upgrades required to meet code in disaster-damaged areas of the home.
- Accessibility features in disaster-damaged areas of the home.
- Lead-based paint and asbestos abatement in disaster-damaged areas of the home.

Required Eligibility Documentation Includes Proof of:
- Identity (photo ID, passport, etc.)
- Ownership (tax records, title/deed etc.)
- Occupancy (utility bill, voter registration, insurance policy, etc.)
- Federal benefits eligibility (e.g., passport, birth certificate, qualified alien status)
- Current property taxes/payment plan
- Income (paystubs, pension/social security income statements, etc.)
- Damage from the disaster (insurance claims, FEMA or SBA documents, pictures)

Eligible Disasters Include:
- December 2017 wildfires, mudflows, and debris flows: Creek, Liberty, Lilac, Little Mountain, Skirball, Rye, and Thomas Fires.
- July through September 2018 wildfires and high winds: Carr and Mendocino Complex Fires.
- November 2018 wildfires: Camp, Hill, and Woolsey Fires.

For assistance completing the survey or to receive this flyer in additional languages, please email your contact information to ReCoverCA@hcd.ca.gov. Assistance is available for individuals with disabilities, including access and functional needs.